

PATENT
Attorney Docket No. 2356.0043-02

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

Philippe SANSONETTI et al.

Serial No.: 08/466,698

Filed: June 6, 1995

For: METHOD FOR PRODUCING TRANSFORMED SHIGELLA
(AS AMENDED)

Group Art Unit: 1645

Examiner: A. Caputa

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Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO PAPER NO. 26

In response to the Office Action mailed July 22, 1998 (Paper No. 26), for which the period for response has been extended through January 22, 1999, by the request for a three-month extension and fee payment filed concurrently herewith, applicants submit the following amendments and remarks.

Please amend the application as follows.

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend the following claims:

17. (Amended) A modified, wild strain of an enteroinvasive *Shigella* that can be used for making a vaccine against the wild strain of *Shigella*, obtained by the process of claim 1 [wherein the genome of the wild strain of *Shigella* has been transformed, other than only by inactivation by means of a transposon inserted into genes of the genome, so that it cannot